

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

Grander Than Ocean's Story.

Grander than ocean's story
Or songs of forest trees—
Purer than breath of morning,
Or evening's gentle breeze—
Clearer than mountain echoes
Ring out from peaks above—
Rolls on the glorious anthem
Of God's eternal love.

Dearer than any lovings

The truest friends bestow,
Stronger than all the yearnings
A mother's heart can know;
Deeper than earth's foundations,
And above all thought;
Broader than far heaven's high arches—
The love that Christ has brought.

Richer than all earth's treasures,

The wealth my soul receives;
Brighter than royal jewels,
The crown that Jesus gives;
Wondrous the condescension,
And grace beyond degree!
I would be ever singing
The love of Christ to me!

—Spiritual Songs for the Sunday-school.

DEAR EDITOR:—As there were no letters in the last two papers I thought I would write again. It is very dry here everything needs rain, and it is real hot too. Last Tuesday the thermometer was at 102 degrees in the shade. The apples are ripening now very fast. We have all we want to use.

I haven't missed one Sabbath going to S. S. My teacher's name is Mr. D. I. Brumbaugh.

I will ask a question that the Superintendent asked the school to answer next Sunday. It is, Who composed the family of Bethany?

Good by.

ELLA ARNOLD.

July 9, 1886.

DEAR EDITOR:—I have not written for the Children's Column for a good while, so I thought I would try and write one to-day. I was thirteen years old the 1st of July. I go to Sabbath school. Mr. Stiffer is our superintendent and Mr. Ed. Hady is my teacher. I like him very much as a teacher. I love to go to Sabbath school, and get the Gem. When I come home from Sunday school I sit down and read it through before I stop. My father, mother, my sister and brother belong to the Brethren church. The weather is very warm now. Our crops look pretty nice this year, if only we would have rain. My brother from Colorado is coming out here soon. I hope this letter will escape the waste basket.

I remain your reader.

God bless the people in their work.

GRACIE VIOLA SAYLOR.

Waterloo, Iowa.

DEAR EDITOR:—As there has not been any letter in our columns for two weeks, I thought I would write. We are having vacation now and will have until September. But I am taking music lessons and that keeps me pretty busy practicing when I am not helping Mamma. We have so many raspberries this year to pick and that is good work for little girls like me. I go to Sabbath School every Sabbath, and we think we will have a picnic and go to Chippewa Lake, which is 7 miles from here and a very nice place to go to. We go over every summer after harvest and Papa hires a row boat and takes us out on the Lake fishing. And then sometimes we get on the steamer and ride around the lake for fun. I wish there would be lots of little letters in the paper for I do like to read them. I would like to ask a question, "Who built the first Temple at Jerusalem?"

WESTA MARKLEY.

Chathan Centre Ohio.

A Clever Humming-Bird.

I'll tell you how a clever humming-bird shielded her little ones from the rain. There they were, a nestful, and the rain beginning to fall. The people who had watched the nest out of their window were concerned about the young birds, but the mother-bird was prepared for the emergency. Near the nest grew a large leaf,—it was a butter-nut tree,—and on one side of the nest a small twig stuck out. When the drops began to fall, she came quickly, and

with many tugs pulled the leaf over the little nest, for a roof, and hooked it by the twig on the other side, which held it firmly.

Thus the half-feathered babies were kept as dry under their green roof as if their house had been built by a carpenter, like the sparrow-houses all around on the trees.

When the rain was over, the mother came back and unhooked the leaf.—St. Nicholas.

Our Dead Bird.

Many of the students of Ashland College, who boarded at the Hall, during the college year of 1884-5, will remember the sweet singing little bird Leo, who used to open out upon a lusty song when they entered the dining room, and would sometimes keep up a concert while we were eating. We called him Leo. He was a great favorite with everybody. I had trained him to sit on a finger of one hand; then I would present a finger of the other hand a little higher up and a little off and he would jump upon that hand, and so I would continue as high as I could reach. He had been taught to perform other interesting little tricks. Well, I want to tell the children that he is dead. Of course he was only a bird, but I was made to feel quite sad when I learned of his death. I was sorry I had not said good-by to him when I left home. He was Lottie's bird, and the first one we ever had in the house. Here is the way she wrote me about his death. The "Henry" she refers to is her little nephew, who died about four years ago.

"My poor little pet. I so sadly miss him. I cannot bear to go into the dining room, his little empty cage looks so lonely. I had hoped to keep him until he was old and gray. I know you will feel sorry too. Leo and the dark bird were in one cage. When discovered the dark bird was the sicker of the two, and suffered all night. Now both are dead. I feel very badly when I look upon my dead songster. He cannot be properly mounted here, so I have him wrapped up in satin, and will take him down and bury him at the head of Henry's mound. His sweet little memory deserves a resting place among the best.

CHARLOTTE.

Dear children, let us cultivate kind and gentle feelings for each other, and for all God's creation. If God cares for "sparrows," and for other birds as well no doubt, why should not we feel kindly toward them.

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Kenton	11 25	2 38	9 30	
Lima	12 15	3 16	10 25	
Decatur	1 40	4 23	11 35	
Huntington	2 35	5 13	1 00	
Huntington	2 40	5 18	1 15	
Rochester	4 00	6 21	2 47	
No. Judson	4 50		3 38	
Crown Point	6 00		5 16	
Hammond	6 30	8 28	5 40	
Egglewood	7 00	9 00	6 15	
Chicago	7 30	9 30	6 45	

EASTWARD.				
STATIONS	No. 12	No. 8	No. 10	No. 30
Chicago	7 45	3 30	8 30	
Egglewood	8 15	4 00	9 00	
Hammond	8 45	4 30	9 25	
Crown Point	9 20	5 14	10 00	
Koyts	9 55	5 25	10 49	
No. Judson	10 25		11 25	
Rochester	11 20	6 40	12 37	
Huntington	12 45	7 45	2 15	
Huntington	12 10	8 00	2 30	
Decatur	1 40	8 48	3 30	
Lima	2 11	9 55	5 11	
Kenton	3 50		6 08	
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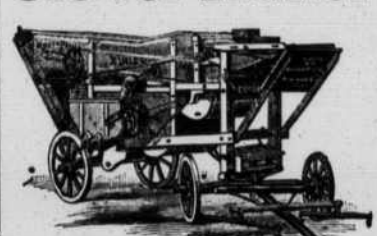
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6 40pm	6 30am	" Cleveland	"	8 20	9 40pm			
8 40 "		Ar Sandusky	Lv	6 55				
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8 00pm	9 00am	Lv New York	Ar	6 55pm	9 35pm			
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12 40pm	11 15pm	" Pittsburgh	"	5 30am	5 30am			
11 10am	9 50am	Ar Lima	Lv	4 10pm	4 10pm			
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8 40pm	8 45am	Sandusky		7 00pm	3 00am			
9 45	9 45	Fremont		5 55	2 05			
12 30pm	12 35pm	Ar Lima	Lv	3 10	11 35pm			
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4 23	4 23	Muncie	Lv	11 35am	7 55			
5 50	6 02	Tipton		10 00	6 02			
7 40	8 04	LaFayette		8 00	3 42			
10 02	10 15	Hoopston		5 47	1 48			
11 02	11 15	Paxton		4 47	12 40			
11 30	11 55	Gibson		4 07	12 01			
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Chicago		*5 15	10 05	*8 10	*8 45
		A. M. P. M.			
Defiance		10 20	4 14	3 05	
Deshler		10 55	5 05	4 05	
Fostoria		11 39	5 53	5 10	
		A. M. P. M.			
Sandusky		17 25	6 25	2 00	
		P. M. P. M.			
Mansfield		1 28	10 15	9 05	4 07
Lexington		3 15	12 55	10 37	
Newark		3 15	12 55	12 10	6 40
Columbus	Leave	2 00	11 40	11 05	15 00
St. Louis		8 pm 8 am		P. M.	
Louisville		A. M.		2 25	
Cincinnati		7 45		15	
		A. M. P. M. A. M.			
Newark		3 15	12 55	12 10	6 40
Zanesville		3 39	1 58	12 54	3 30 a.m.
Cambridge		4 43	3 00	1 40	6 25
Bellaire		6 23	5 08	3 35	8 35
		P. M. P. M.			
Pittsburg		10 15	PM	7 20	4 15 p.m.
Washington		6 30	6 20	6 30	
Baltimore		7 30	7 30	7 30	

WEST BOUND.					
	No. 4.	No. 6.	No. 2.	No. 10.	
Leave	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	
Baltimore	*9 00	*7 20	*9 30		
Washington	10 50	8 40	10 10		
	P. M. P. M.				
Pittsburg	2 45	7 00	am		
Wheeling.	7 20	9 55	8 50	8 00	
	P. M. P. M.				
Bellaire	8 02	11 30	9 35		
Cambridge	9 30	12 24	11 23		
Zanesville	10 05	1 30	12 23	15 55	
	P. M. P. M.				
Columbus	11 55	3 10	2 40	8	
Cincinnati		7 30	6 50		
	P. M. P. M.				
Louisville		12 35	6 20	6 30	
St. Louis		6 40	7 45		
	A. M. P. M.				
Newark		3 30	1 40	7	
	P. M. P. M.				
Mansfield	A. M.	12 46	5 55	4 02	10 1
Sandusky	Arrive		8 55	6 35	12 15
	P. M. P. M.				
Fostoria		2 31	8 26	7 28	
Deshler		3 11	9 15	8 33	
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Chicago		8 55	5 25	5 40	7 30

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